



Appleby Archaeology UPDATE

August 1999

News

Appleby Archaeology Group is officially on holiday during August but this month is traditionally the busiest of the archaeological year. Most research excavations are scheduled to coincide with the good weather that the Summer promises. Members of Appleby Archaeology group have also taken to the fields this month to investigate an ancient earthwork running underneath the present field system near Flakebridge, Appleby. The bank survives in some form for some 1.5 miles (surveyed so far) despite being ploughed out in places by human action and by pigs! There is still work to do before the bank can be fully explained and further days are planned.

Eden Historic Landscape Project has been launched as an offshoot of Appleby Archaeology Group concerned with research and training. The project is being supported by a Millennium Award with the aim of researching the history of the landscape around Appleby and providing practical training and experience in archaeology. Details will be posted to members as the project progresses.

Tom Clare who is known to many members as a past County Archaeologist and through his book 'Archaeological Sites of the Lake District', will be visiting Appleby to give a talk in October. Tom is also running a project to investigate villages in the Eden valley and has extended an invitation to members to take part. Details are included with the newsletter and Tom should be contacted direct if you wish to contribute.

January may seem a long way off but we are planning to host another Member's Evening and will be looking for people to give short talks on their chosen subjects. Now is a good time to start planning for a talk! If you need any help please get in touch. I can now be contacted with regard to research or Appleby Archaeology group at 5 Bridge Street most Tuesdays. Martin Railton

Diary

Talks at Tullie House, Carlisle:

23rd September 1:30pm Roman Tents
28th September 1.30pm Prehistoric Axes

Tel. 01228 534664 for further details

Upper Eden History Society Talks:

18th October Phil Dunn: The Border Rievers
15th November Mick Krupa: Lead Mining at Nenthead

Talks are held in the Kirkby Stephen Grammar School at 7:30pm Cost £2.00
Tel 017683 71916 for further details.

1999 North West Industrial Archaeology Conference:

Droves, Drives, Railways and Industry
Skiddaw Hotel, Keswick Sun 17th October
Cost £8.00 Forms are available from:
Mrs J Bennett, CIHS Bookings, Broombank Cottage, Lindal-in-Furness, Cumbria LA12 0LW

Archaeology Night Class

The GCSE Archaeology course has now been postponed for a year but an introductory archaeology course is to run in its place at Appleby Grammar school on Thursday evenings. Contact the office for details on 017683 53289 (term time)

Autumn Events:
**ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL
SETTLEMENT**

WALK: Asby Winderswath Common

A visit to Romano-British and Saxon settlements with Marjorie Campion. Meet at 2.00pm on Tuesday 21st September at Great Asby church.

WALK: Crosby Fell

Harry Hawkins is to lead a walk around several prehistoric sites and a 'Celtic' settlement on Crosby Fell. Meet at Crosby Ravensworth church at 2.00pm Sunday 3rd October.

Please note there will now be a charge of £1 to non-members for walks as well as talks

The Archaeology of Westmorland Villages

A talk by Tom Clare on the origins of our villages and the surviving archaeology from the Medieval period.

Not to be missed

7.00pm Tuesday 5th October
Appleby Grammar School Intake Centre

Medieval Friaries

What did a Medieval friary consist of? Barbara Harbottle who has researched several friaries will be sharing some of her knowledge about this form of religious site.

7.00pm Tuesday 2nd November
Appleby Grammar School Intake Centre

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